

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Todd et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1714
Serial No.: 10/665,955)	
Filed: 09/17/2003)	Examiner: Cephia Toomer
For: Fuel Additive Systems)	
)	Att'y Docket No.: P03927
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Election / Restriction

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In response to a restriction requirement set forth in an office action mailed 03/13/2006, a provisional election with traverse is made by applicant.

Applicant respectfully submits, that in the present case, the requirement for restriction is not proper. According to MPEP § 803, "if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner **must** examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions." (emphasis added) It is respectfully requested that the restriction requirement be withdrawn and that each of the claims presently pending in this application be examined.

If the Examiner is not persuaded and persists with the restriction requirement Applicant provisionally elects Group (I)- Claims 1-60.

If there are any fees incurred by this Amendment, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account NO. 50-1887, referencing our Docket No. P03927.

Respectfully submitted,

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